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The Pastor's Pen "Thanksgiving"

The words "thank" and "think" come from the same root, reminding us that thanksgiving comes from thinking about our blessings. That's what David did in Psalm 34. He declared: "Bless the Lord at all times. I sought the Lord and He heard me and delivered me from all my fears."

As the 90-ton Mayflower sailed for the New World on August 5, 1620, the 102 Pilgrims huddled in dark, low-ceiling holds. The Pilgrims prayed and praised during their seven-week voyage. Upon landing "they fell upon their knees and blessed the God of heaven, who had brought them over the furious ocean and delivered them from all their perils and miseries..."

God deserves our thanksgiving too. He calms our storms and guides us to our desired haven. America's greatness is due to the deep convictions of her founders. Unfortunately, many have forgotten that half the Pilgrims died during their first winter in Plymouth. The onset of Spring found them wondering if any of them would survive, but that's when God intervened. An Indian named Squanto taught the Pilgrims how to catch eels, plant corn and survive by stalking deer, refining maple syrup, using herbs for medicine and trading beaver pelts. Without him, the Plymouth Colony would not have survived, and that's why at the end of growing season the Pilgrims and Indians celebrated Thanksgiving.

Similarly, our heavenly Father knows our needs before we ask and at unexpected moments. He will send us the right person or provision to help us. Just when you need Jesus, He is near — "ready to secure" says Thomas Jefferson, "when we recognize that those liberties are from God: That's why we should make everyday a Thanksgiving."

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November Refreshment Schedule



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| Sunday, Nov. 3 | U,V,W,X,Y,Z |
| Sunday, Nov. 10 | A,B,C,D,E |
| Sunday, Nov. 17 | Consecration Sunday |
| Sunday, Nov. 24 | F,G,H,I,J |

If your last name begins with the letters of the day, please consider bringing something to share for about 8-10



PRIME TIMERS NEWS



When the Prime Timers meet on Tuesday, November 19, the guest speaker will be Halla Kuss from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management — Office of Land Quality. She should have timely and interesting information to disseminate to diners. Prime Timers meets at noon in the Ogden Dunes church fellowship hall. A Thanksgiving appropriate meal will be served costing \$9 which is collected at the door. People of all ages are welcome to attend. To reserve your place at the table or to add your name to the phone list, call Jayne Mann at 219-218-3670 or Judy Petrou at 763-2186 on or before Sunday, November 17. Fun and merriment will aid digestion along with timely decorations and birthday celebrations.

Historical Society



Historical Society of Ogden Dunes invites the community to attend an Open House on Sunday, November 17 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Hour Glass Museum located at 8 Lupine Lane in Ogden Dunes. Following the Open House at 4:00 p.m. a program on EARLY AVIATION IN THE INDIANA DUNES will be presented by Paul Nelson on Octave Chant with introduction by Simine Short.

Make your reservations for the Historical Society of Ogden Dunes annual Holiday Tea with "DOWNTON ABBEY" REVISITED theme. Tea will be on Sunday, December 8 at The Hour Glass Museum with "two seatings" from noon to 2:00 and 3:00 to 5:00. Paid reservations of \$20 are required by December 2. Please put checks with completed form in the special box at the Ogden Dunes Town Hall or mail to HSOD, 115 Hillcrest, Ogden Dunes, Indiana 46368. For questions, contact



Thoughts for Veterans Day



Abraham Lincoln gave his second Inaugural Address on March 4, 1865, as the Civil War was raging. He said, "Fondly do we hope — fervently do we pray — that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away." Lincoln's next paragraph is especially appropriate for Veterans Day:

"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations."

When President Lincoln finished his classic oration, he reportedly kissed the Bible and left the platform. He was assassinated the next month.

ACTIVITIES FOR NOVEMBER

Stewardship

The first two Sundays of November (3, 10) are our Stewardship Campaign for 2020. Kindly give prayerful consideration for your pledges for next year.

Sunday, November 17

- Consecration Sunday (taking of pledges)

Sunday, November 24

- Thanksgiving Service

EPIGRAM

- If you want a place in the sun, expect some blisters.
- The road to success is dotted with many tempting parking places.
- "Triumph" is just "umph" added to "try."
- If you have a soft voice, you don't need a big stick.
- The reason why worry kills more people than work is that

THE RIGHT TO VOTE

(November 5th)

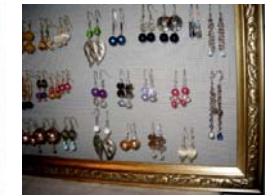
Exercise your right to vote on Tuesday, November 5th. Vote for the candidate who is good for our country and state. One is who will promote justice and peace and will enhance our economic welfare. Remember, that no matter if your candidate does not get elected,

It's Pledge Time

Why we give to the church

We give to the work of Christ's church a portion of the gifts that God has already given us. We give:

- in response to God's grace in sending His Son;
- in response to the love of Jesus Christ's dying for us;
- in response to the gifts of life which we have so abundantly received;
- in response to the opportunities God gives us to discover the meaning and purpose of life;
- in response to His presence in our lives when we



Ogden Dunes Women's Club Arts and Crafts Fair

Ogden Dunes Women's Club will have their Arts and Craft Fair on November 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Ogden Dunes Church. There will be over 24 vendors plus our usual bake sale and soups and chili for eating in or taking out. Your patronage supports our numerous local charities.

The Bible According to Kids

Children say the funniest things about Scripture. Here are a few examples:

- "In the first book of the Bible, God got tired of creating the world, so he took the Sabbath off."
- "Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients."
- "The Egyptians were all drowned in the desert. Afterward, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the Ten Amendments"
- "The greatest miracle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him."
 - "When Mary heard that she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta."

Fall Back



Don't forget to turn your clocks back an hour on Sunday, November 3rd!

Journey To Bethlehem Program

When: Friday and Saturday on December 6th and 7th.

Time: 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy a free walking tour with live animals.

Where: Ogden Dunes Community Church